GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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TREATMENT STORAGE AND DISPOSAL FACILITY IN KERALA .
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court`s appointed Committee observed recently that Kerala had no Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility (TSDF) in its industrial areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the trade unions and industrial management has sought for more time to instal facilities for TSDF; and

(d) if so, the steps to be taken to settle the issue without closure of the industries?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) The Supreme Court Monitoring Committee on hazardous wastes management has issued directions to the State Government for development of the Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility (TSDF) for hazardous wastes. Kerala State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) has taken up the matter with Industries Department, Government of Kerala for identifying land for developing the common TSDF preferably at Kochi and Palakkad. Also KSPCB has constituted a Local Area Environment Committee for Eloor-Edayar area, interalia, to undertake Environmental audit of all industrial units in the area.